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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

WAR CRIMINALS.

LONDON, December 4th.
In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Lloyd George stated that the Allies had the right to demand the surrender for trial of any enemy war criminals, and it was intended to enforce the right. The final lists were now under consideration, but at present it was undesirable to state the numbers or how many were already in the hands of the Allies.

THE IRISH PROBLEM.

LONDON, December 4th.
In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Lloyd George said that he hoped to introduce the Irish Bill early in the third week of December. Parliament would be prorogued before Christmas, but the Bill would be carried over to the next session by a special suspension resolution.

THE ALLIES AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, December 4th.
In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Lloyd George said that the forthcoming International Conference which would consider the settlement of the future of Russia would be composed of representatives of the same Allied and Associated Powers as had up to now been acting together. It would not include representatives of Soviet Russia.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

LONDON, December 4th.
H.E. the King, welcoming the Prince of Wales at a dinner at Buckingham Palace in a delicious speech, declared that the Prince had forged a strong new link between Canada and the Mother Country.

His Majesty expressed his great appreciation of the cordial and affectionate welcome the Prince had received from the Government and the people of Washington and New York. He had always been his sincere wish that the relations of the two great English-speaking nations should be of the closest and friendliest nature, and that so they should work together for the good of civilization and mankind. He trusted that the visit of the Prince would assist to that end.

His Majesty added that he was now entirely satisfied with the way the Prince had carried out his two very important missions.

THE BULGARIAN ARMY.

LONDON, December 4th.
The Bulgarian Army has been reduced in strength to 2,000 officers and 44,000 men.

THE BALTIC STATES.

LONDON, December 4th.
The situation of the Russian and German troops under the Lithuanian pursuit is critical. It is considered that the evacuation of the Baltic States cannot longer be postponed.

THE PEACE TREATY.

LONDON, December 4th.
In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Lloyd George said that he hoped the Treaty of Versailles would be ratified before the end of the month.

HAVAS REVIEW.

PARIS, December 8th.
A Havas message says:—
Wang King-ki, Law Professor at Peking University, interviewed in Paris after the Brussels Conference for establishing the League of Nations, asserted that China was ready to associate with the League provided that all nations were allowed the same rights.

The general tendency is to trust the new Chamber of Deputies as being capable of grappling successfully with the financial questions which will come up for discussion about December 17th, and which will be given priority over all other matters.

THE WAR ON BOLSHIEVISM.

LONDON, December 4th.
A semi-official statement from the North Russian Front says that the Bolshieviki were compelled to abandon their positions in the Finns, and retire rapidly towards the Dwina. They also relaxed their pressure in South Russia.

The Volunteers in the Ukraine have joined the Polish Advance Guards, thus forming a united anti-Bolshievik front from the Caspian to the Baltic, also rendering possible the co-operation of the Poles and the Volunteers.

A treaty has been signed whereby the Galician Army comes under General Denikin. The Galician Government has been removed to Odessa.

UNNECESSARY WORDS.

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CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 11.
The acting minister of foreign affairs, Mr. Chan Lu, attended the lower house to report on the protest on the Foochow outrage, saying necessary steps will be taken when the deputies sent out to investigate the matter, have returned to Peking.

The Japanese Minister at Peking has deputed an official to lodge a protest with the Chinese Government on the movements of the students and the Chamber of Commerce of Peking on the boycott of Japanese goods. He expected the Chinese Government to take immediate measure to stop such movements.

The boycott movement spreads widely at Peking and Tientsin. More merchants have taken oath at the Chamber of Commerce. All the remaining stocks of "low grade" goods have been laid up to await the disposal of the Committee of the National mass meeting. Regulations were prepared to prohibit strictly the secret selling of such goods, with penalties. Many telegrams have been sent to Osaka to stop the order of any further goods. Many districts are taking similar actions. It is learned that a certain big Japanese merchant had an interview with a certain high official to enquire on this matter. The latter said the people have their privilege of trading with whom they prefer.

It is reported that a Japanese officer at Shanghai has given a warning to the authorities of the Province to the effect that if the boycott were still going on after the 6th inst. the Japanese would not bear any responsibility for consequences that might arise.

The students here are still very active in their preaching in the streets, and in the examination of the Japanese goods.

A Japanese parade of over 100 Japanese soldiers was seen in the streets passing through the Shua Chi gate to the Chien Mun gate on the afternoon of the 10th inst.

A THREATENING STRIKE.

The teachers of the primary schools at Peking have threatened to strike if their demands for better salaries and payment in ready money of same are not satisfactorily met after the 13th inst. The technical teachers are contemplating the same demands and going to strike after the 15th inst.

PEACE AGAIN.

Mr. Wong Yap Tong has wired to Peking to urge his colleagues Messrs. Whong Yau Ling, Wong Hak Man and Ng Ting Chang to proceed South saying there is hope for the reopening of the peace conference.

CHARTER PARTY CASE.

THE JUDGMENT.

Judgment was given in the Supreme Court yesterday by the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees-Davies, K.C., and the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Compertz on the motion brought by Toong Yue, a ship owner of Shanghai and defendant in a case with the Castlefield Steamship Company, for a stay of arbitration proceedings on the question of damages, pending an appeal.

Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, appeared for the plaintiffs, and the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, instructed K.C. by Mr. A. H. Crew, was for the defendant.

In the course of his judgment the Chief Justice said he had examined the carefully the authorities bearing on a stay of proceeding on appeal and following the authorities his judgment laid down that, while there was no definite rule of practice limiting the discretion of the Court, he will not, except in special circumstances, at the instance of an unsuccessful litigant, deprive a successful one of the fruits of his litigation until a further appeal is determined. The question was whether there were special circumstances to warrant a stay. Two grounds were urged: (1) that in the event of the appeal being successful, the costs incidental to the arbitration would be thrown away; (2) that, unlike cases where a long delay awaiting a decision of the ultimate Court of Appeal may retard a successful litigant of his due, in this case early appeal will decide the rights of the parties.

In his opinion neither ground constituted a special circumstance to justify the order. The motion was dismissed with costs.

The Puisne Judge read a short judgment agreeing on dismissal with costs.

The motion by the plaintiffs for security for costs will come before their Lordships later.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE SHIPPING DISPUTY.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—It might interest your readers to compare the postage bill of a local steamer paying wages as claimed by the Guilds with that of a Japanese Ocean-going steamer.

Local Coasting Steamer 3,000 tons Deadweight.

Captain \$ 650
1st Officer 350
2nd Officer 260
Chief Engineer 602
2nd Engineer 350
3rd Engineer 260

Total \$2,472

Japanese Ocean Steamer 4,300 tons Dead-weight.

When Coasting.

Captain Y. 150/200 in \$100.00
1st Officer 100/130 " 65.00
2nd Officer 85/90 " 45.00
Chief Engineer 150/200 " 100.00
2nd Engineer 90/130 " 65.00
3rd Engineer 70/90 " 45.00

Total \$420.00

On Foreign Service.

Captain Y. 225/300 in \$150.00
1st Officer 150/195 " 97.50
2nd Officer 127 1/2/135 " 67.50
Chief Engineer 225/300 " 150.00
2nd Engineer 135/195 " 97.50
3rd Engineer 105/135 " 67.50

Total \$630.00

Post Allowance—6 x \$50—\$300—

against 6 x Y. 50—Y. 300—\$150.

As the Captain of the Japanese steamer in question put it, the whole postage bill of his command could be paid from the salaries of the Captain and Chief Officer of a local coasting steamer. Is there, therefore, any wonder that the local coast-steamer companies object to further increases? Whether owners of river steamers can afford to pay wages on the scale demanded by the Guilds is doubtful, as there is no question that their earnings are precarious and their margin of profit very small. As regards coasters of 2,000 tons to 3,000 tons deadweight capacity which have been earning anything from \$7 to \$10 per month on their dead-weight during the whole of this year and are likely to earn as much in the next, it is ridiculous to say owners cannot afford to pay the increases demanded by the Guilds and that they will be forced to lay up the ship.

Can you imagine the owner of a 3,000 ton ship which brings in a revenue of about \$5,000 a month lay her up for even a day when the increases demanded by the Guilds do not at the most entail an additional expense of \$600 to \$700 per month?

As regards the statement made by the Shipowners' Protection Association of Hongkong that all shipowners have been losing money this year, to put it mildly this is an untruth, as any local shipping man can tell you that owners of British steamers on the China Coast have not had a better year since 1916.

I may mention incidentally that with the possible exception of three or four ships, all the steamers owned by the S.F.A. would have been laid up or broken up in pre-war days.

Yours, etc.,
DISINTERESTED.

Hongkong December 11, 1919.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Can any one enlighten me as to why the above named club never play on any other but their own football ground?

Is it because they know every inch of the playing area and are afraid of losing a point or two should they play on either the Navy or Military ground?

If it is arranged between the two teams concerned that the Club ground should be used, when it is the Club's away match, does the opposing team receive half or any of the stand receipts?

I notice per fixture list that the Club versus South China Athletic Club have been played on the Navy ground on Saturday last, but was it? No of course not, the Club ground again.

I also see by the fixture list that on 20th December Club versus R.G.A. is to be played on Military Ground, and on 27th December Club versus Hongkong Police on Navy Ground, so it will be very interesting to see if these games are played on the grounds as per fixture list. However we will wait and see.

INTERESTED.

Hongkong, Dec. 11, 1919.

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INTIMATIONS.

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the first ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of Shareholders will be
held at the Offices of the Company,
St. George's Building, Chater Road,
Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY,
the 20th December, 1919, at 11.30
o'clock, in the forenoon, for the purpose
of receiving a statement of accounts and
the Report of the General Managers for
the 14 months ending 30th September,
1919, and electing a Consulting Com-
mittee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from MON-
DAY, the 15th December, 1919, until
SATURDAY, the 20th December, 1919,
both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 5, 1919.

CHINA BORNEO COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
an EXTRAORDINARY GEN-
ERAL MEETING of the above Com-
pany will be held at the Office of
Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON AND
COMPANY, St. George's Buildings,
Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on
MONDAY, the 29th day of December,
1919, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon,
for the purpose of considering and, if
thought fit, passing the following
Resolution as an Ordinary Resolu-
tion:—

1. "That the conditional agreement
entered into by the Directors of
the Company in the name and on
behalf of the Company with
Messrs. Harrison and Crossfield Limited
dated the 10th day of December
1919, for the sale of the "under-
taking property and assets of the
Company as existing on the 31st
day of December, 1918, subject
to its liabilities, for the sum of
\$328,000 (Eight hundred and
twenty eight thousand dollars)
cash which has been submitted
to this meeting and the same
is hereby ratified and approved
and that the Directors be and
they are hereby authorised and
directed to carry the same
into effect with full power to
assent to any modifications in
the Agreement which they may
think expedient and in the
interests of the Company."

Copies of the above mentioned Agree-
ment can be seen at the Registered
Office of the Company, St. George's
Building, Chater Road, Victoria, afore-
said or at the Offices of Messrs. Gibb,
Livingston & Co., Solicitors to the Com-
pany, at Prince's Building, Lee House
Street, Victoria, aforesaid, at any time
before the said meeting (except SAT-
URDAYS and SUNDAYS) between
the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.

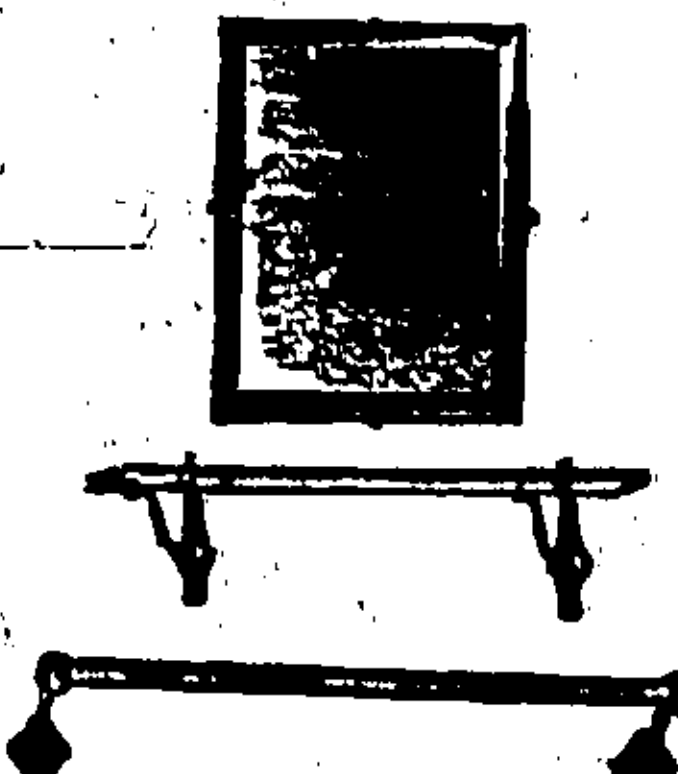
And subject to the passing of the
above Resolution to consider and if
thought fit, to pass as an Extraordinary
Resolution the following:—
2. "That the Company be wound up
voluntarily and that Ernest
Alfred Mountford Williams of
the firm of Lowe Bingham and
Matthew of Chater Bank
Building, Queen's Road Central,
Victoria aforesaid be appointed
Liquidator for the purposes of
such winding up, at such remun-
eration as may be arranged
between the said Harrison and
Crossfield Limited and the
Liquidator."

Should the Second Resolution be
passed by the requisite majority, it
will be submitted for confirmation as a
Special Resolution to a Second Extra-
ordinary General Meeting to be held at
the above address at twelve o'clock
noon on TUESDAY the 13th day of
January 1920.

Dated this 10th day of December,
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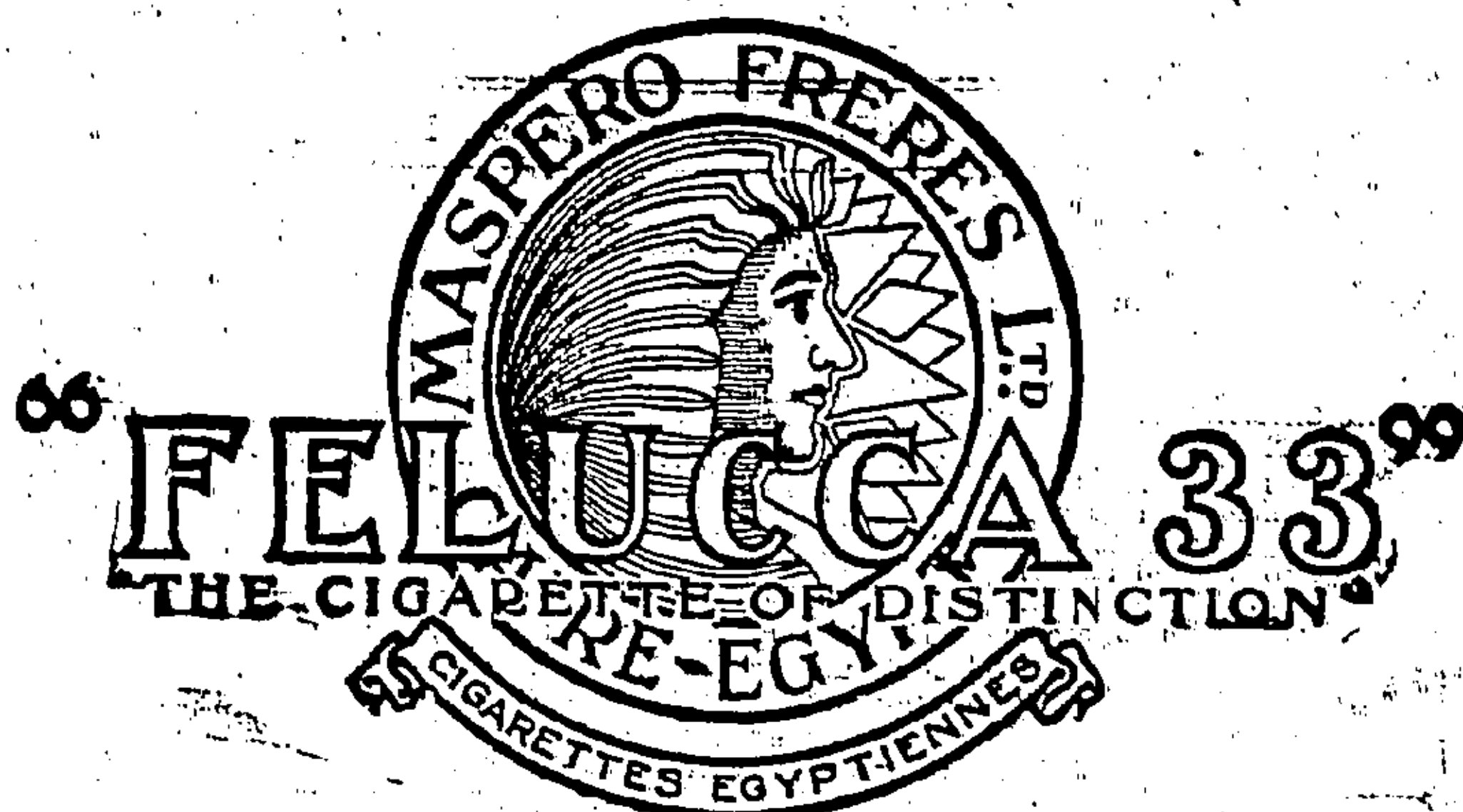
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AN APOSTLE OF
PROHIBITION.DR. D. M. GANDIER IN THE
ORIENT.

Dr. D. M. Gandier, who came to
the Orient last April, representing
the Anti-Saloon League of America,
has returned to Japan after spending
a couple of months in China and the
Philippine Islands.

He reports that the Philippine
legislature now in session is almost
certain to pass a prohibition law for
the Islands. The Government-Gen-
eral and the National Council, who
are his official advisers, have recom-
mended that the legislature pass
such a measure at this session. Pres-
ident Quezon of the Senate is
strongly supporting this proposal
and says the prohibition bill will pass
the Senate by a big majority. The
young generation of Filipinos,
who have been educated in the
schools since the American occu-
pation, are almost unanimously
in favour of prohibition. A large
number of these younger people are
in this year's House of Representa-
tives. The only uncertain element in
the whole situation is the attitude of
Speaker Osmena. He has great in-
fluence in the House, and probably he
could defeat any measure which he
vigorously opposed. It is generally
believed that he will either support
the Prohibition Bill, or assume a
neutral attitude towards it and tell the
members of the House to decide for
themselves how they shall vote upon
it without any recommendation from
him. If he does not oppose the mea-
sure it will pass.

The live issue in the Islands now,
from a popular standpoint, is In-
dependence. Speaker Osmena is
keen enough a politician to know
that for the legislature to refuse to
pass a prohibition measure at this
time would not tend to create con-
fidence in the fitness of the Filipinos
for self-government among the
masses of the people in the United
States. On the other hand, the
adoption of prohibition by the Philip-
pine legislature would have a very
favourable effect in America. This
fact, together with the fact that
the younger generation is so
strongly in favour of prohibitions is
likely to insure the Speaker's support
for the Bill. With his support it is
absolutely sure to pass. The iden-
tifications are that the Philippine Islands
will be the first of the Oriental
nations to adopt prohibition as a
national policy.

It looks as if Japan might not be
far behind, says Dr. Gandier. He
reports that he finds the prohibition
question rapidly coming into
prominence in Japan. He has
spoken in the last ten days in
the more important towns be-
tween Nagasaki and Kobe. Every-
where he reports much interest in the
question. Public officials are taking
an intelligent interest in the matter,
and are eager to learn why America

CHINESE MARKETS FOR
TEXTILES.

In an article dealing with the pro-
spects of American textiles in the
Chinese market, the United States
Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Com-
merce states that there is a tendency
to adopt foreign styles of dress in
China, and so there is a growing de-
mand for worsted suitings, dress coat-
ings, cream serges, and cream flannels,
all 54 to 56 inches wide, and for
38 to 40-inch silk linings. In Shang-
hai medium-heavy weights (18 to 24
ounces) are required rather than light
weights. Suit lengths from 34 to 36
yards sell at relatively higher prices
per yard than the 40 to 60-yard trade
lengths. Cheap cotton fancy trousers
are much used, and there is a sale
for cheap grey and brown, single
Army blankets 10/4 size; also for
scarlet plain cloth and low-grade woolen,
and for some higher grades. Automobile
rugs are bought for rich-
ness, and there is a heavy trade in
dark blue flannel shirting.

The winter of Northern China are
cold enough to create a demand for
velvets, velveteens, heavy sheetings,
drill, jeans, and shirtings, and there
is a steady call for very cheap light-
weight cotton towels, cotton handker-
chiefs, and heavy and light cotton
underwear and hosiery.

went dry, and how the prohibition
policy is working over there. The
educational leaders are showing an
interest which suggests that they
will be quick to recognise the educa-
tional gain which will come with the
disappearance of the drinking habit.

Dr. Gandier says he will not be
surprised if prohibition is the national
policy of Japan inside of five years
from now. He says the leaders of
Japan are beginning to see what
British leaders have already noted,
namely, that through prohibition
America, "like an athlete, is training
for world leadership." The follow-
ing question recently appeared in
an editorial in the Daily News
(London):—

"Europe is confronted by a dry
America, commanding not only
material resources, but an efficiency
in industrial and civic life going
beyond any standards in European
society. For us and our national
future, what does this mean?"

Dr. Gandier says it means that to
get a similar advantage Great Britain
will ultimately come to prohibition.
It will be a national necessity. He
calls attention to the fact that the
Osaka Mainichi has already opined
editorially that prohibition is a
national necessity for Japan if she is
to hold her own with America in in-
dustrial competition. This fact, Dr.
Gandier believes, will soon be re-
cognised by Japan's leaders, and
prohibition will then be within sight.
—Japan Chronicle.

THE BRITISH GLASSWARE
INDUSTRY.

The glass industry stands pro-
minent among those that have suffer-
ed in the past by a detachment, more
or less complete, from its scientific
aspects. German energy and organi-
sation, perceiving its opportunity,
first improved the manufacture and
then captured the trade. Importa-
tion became general; beakers and
flasks and the whole of our heavy
chemical hollow ware were imported,
our manufacturers gave no en-
couragement to the craftsmen,
but tamely followed in the
wake of the triumphal progress
so loudly acclaimed from Jena
and Vienna. A few firms—that
of Messrs. Chance, of Birmingham
is an honourable example—refused
to bow the knee to the German
claims of super-excellence, but a
large proportion has been content to
assemble the parts and sell the ware
so easily and cheaply placed at their
doors. With the outbreak of war,
the goods disappeared, and it was
found that much of the art of manu-
facture had been lost. As with
other goods, essential in com-
merce as in war, no attempt had
been made to organise production,
private enterprise and private interest
being supposed sufficient to meet all
emergencies. The trade was in a
parlous state and it is greatly to the
credit of those who, with every pros-
pect of a short-lived prosperity that
would not survive the war, endeav-
oured to promote an enlarged
production on scientific lines, and to
educate the British public in the
belief that a home-made article
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efficiency of the German product.

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suaded to control the prices of im-
ported glass or to impose a duty on
glassware, there could be little hope of
retaining the industry after the con-
clusion of peace. As the Govern-
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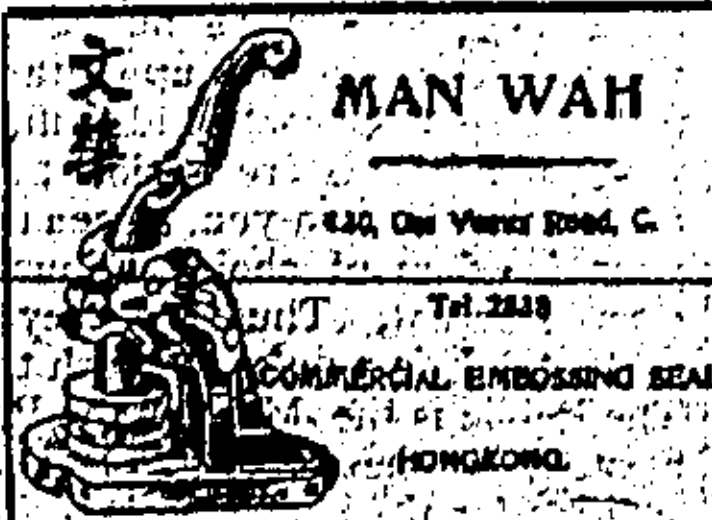
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FOOTBALL NOTES.

[By "TENNORAMUS,"]

THE WEEK END MATCHES.

The following are the league matches fixed for Saturday afternoon—

1ST DIVISION.

Club v. Navy, Club, Ground. Kick off at 4 p.m.
South China v. R.G.A., Navy Ground. Kick off at 4 p.m.
Police v. St. Joseph's, Military Ground. Kick off at 4 p.m.

2ND DIVISION.

Navy (R.) v. Staff and Departments, Navy Ground. Kick off at 2.30 p.m.
South China "B" v. Club (R.), Military Ground. Kick off at 2.30 p.m.
Kowloon v. St. Joseph's (R.), Club Ground. Kick off at 2.30 p.m.

The match which the football enthusiasts have been looking forward to is that between the Club and the Navy.

Although the civilians are better off than the sailors as far as the run for league honours is concerned, they have won every match so far, the sailors who were not so successful, are, nevertheless, not yet out of the running.

Despite the fact that the Club have even now as good as won the league, provided of course, that they win every remaining match, it is yet too early to say definitely that they are this season's champions in the first division, for there is every possibility of their losing or drawing a couple of the remaining matches.

The sailors' only chance of winning the league is to defeat the Club on Saturday and then win all the remaining matches, at the same time depending on the Club being defeated by at least two of the other teams, which is quite an improbability but not an impossibility.

With such prospects in front of them, the sailors can be expected to do their best on Saturday to win the match.

A draw would make no material change to their position in the league.

To return to Saturday's match, while a draw would not be an improbable result of the encounter, after taking into consideration the form exhibited by the respective teams, one is inclined to back the civilians. Anyhow, a very good match can be expected.

For the match South China v. R.G.A., we would venture no further than to predict a draw.

This conclusion is arrived at by the fact that the teams are fairly evenly matched. What the Chinese may lack in the matter of weight, they can more than make up for by science.

Whether or not Talford turns out for the gunners would make a great difference to their chances in this match.

With him in their ranks, the match can be expected to be very evenly contested.

Although we are inclined towards a draw being the result of the match, a win by either side would not come as a surprise, as the slightest mistake by either may prove fatal.

The Police meet St. Joseph's College on the Military ground on Saturday and judging from the form the former showed last week when they managed a creditable draw with the gunners, they have certainly improved considerably since the opening of the league, and the Collegians will have quite a task to beat them.

The Collegians are undoubtedly the most experienced of the two teams and should win if only through the merit of their science, but the Police are not an average combination, their weight being quite a factor to be considered.

By moderate use of their advantage in weight, the Police might be able to ward off defeat in this match, although, taken all round, the Collegians will have no excuse for not winning.

A draw is quite a possible result of this match and would not at all come as a surprise to those who have followed the progress of the Police team.

In the second division, there are two matches which promise to be very interesting.

The first of these matches is that between the Navy Reserves and the Staff and Departments, on the Navy ground.

Both these teams are among the leaders in the second division and a keen contest can be expected.

The sailors possess a well balanced XI and although the same can be said of the Staff, the sailor's forward

KOWLOON TRADE IN 1918.

The report issued by the Chinese Maritime Customs on the Kowloon trade states that compared with the previous year, the year 1918 shows a slight decrease in the value of the trade passing the Kowloon frontier stations by junk and portage, the total value being Hk. Tls. 52,694,412; while as regards cargo carried by the Canton-Kowloon Railway across the frontier at Shumshun there is a decrease, mainly to be attributed to exports, of some 700,000 taels, the total value being Hk. Tls. 2,933,624. "The influence of the war," the report continues, "upon trade has been felt more acutely than ever during the year 1918, but taken all round business has not been unprofitable for merchants and dealers. Owing to the output of all classes of goods for export from Great Britain and the United States of America, the quantity of merchandise coming to the Colony has been considerably below that of former years. Trade has suffered, too, from the political disturbances in China, while lack of confidence, caused by many of the usual trade routes being infested by pirates and bandits, has served to check the further free flow of goods. . . . It was stated in the 1917 report that Hongkong was, particularly in April and May, one of the cheapest places in the world in which to buy piece goods. This was more than ever true at the end of 1918, as local prices were anything from 25 to 50 per cent. below replacing costs as far as British piece goods were concerned. The first half of the year is reported as being very profitable for metal dealers, owing to the demand from India, Java and the Straits Settlements, but the news of the Armistice in November completely put an end to the business. The flower trade was a poor one. Freight shortage threatened to interfere seriously with the petroleum trade generally, more particularly with that in liquid fuel and other by-products, but owing to the assistance of the British Government, it was possible to maintain supplies of fuel and so prevent the electric light plants and the motor boat navigation on the West River from coming to a standstill. The approximate quantity of Java sugar sold in Hongkong was 135,000 tons. The revenue received from cargo carried across the water and land frontiers (by rail excepted) was Hk. Tls. 230,006, a decrease of Hk. Tls. 39,000 on 1917. The revenue from the cargo borne by the Canton-Kowloon railway was Hk. Tls. 79,419, a slight decrease on the previous year.

line has a better knowledge of each other's play than that of the soldiers, who, as evidenced last Saturday, while combining well in midfield, fell to pieces when in front of goal.

Both teams possess sound defences and the forwards should find great difficulty in breaking through these.

A draw is the only possible result we can anticipate for this match.

The other important match of the 2nd division is between the Club Reserves and South China "B."

The Club are a pretty well balanced combination, but their players are still new to each other and do not combine so well as they should. This was one of the principal causes of their defeat at the hands of the Navy Reserves last week, and unless they show better form, they will have a bad time on Saturday.

The South China "B" team possess a very strong defence and a moderate forward string which can be dangerous when not properly guarded. If its players can manage to evade the Club defence, the mainstay of which is Gerrard, there is no reason why they should not find the net.

Although the Club will experience some difficulty with the Chinese defence, good combination, and a little more work on the wings might get them in front of goal, where, with more accurate shooting than has hitherto been exhibited, they would doubtless be able to score.

On the whole, the Chinese should manage a win in this match, but by means of brawn, the Club may secure a draw.

The other match in this league is between Kowloon, the hot favourites for this year's championship, and very probable ones; against St. Joseph's Reserves, a smart combination of plucky boys who play remarkably good football, but lack in weight.

Against such a well selected XI as the Kowloon team is this year, the Collegians cannot be expected to do better than to give their opponents a good game and depend on their luck to save themselves from a crushing defeat.

A win for Kowloon is the only conceivable result of this match. A draw would come very much as a surprise, while a reverse would border almost on a miracle.

INTERCEPTED LETTERS.

(1) MAGGIE TO KIRSTIE.

My dear Kirstie,
At last I'll find me in Hongkong. It's an awful place. The women dinna like each other. Some of them live right up the tree, and the others live across the water; Yin or two live at the foot of the tree, but they dinna count. The yins up the tree gae doon to the fit nearly every mornin' and ha'e tea at a swell place ca'd the Hongkong Hotel. Sometimes the others frae across the water'll be there too, but as they dinna live as they say here. "On the same level" they dinna speak to each other, an' they miss a truckle lot o' fun. The yins "up the tree" when they see them in the street say, "How do ye do. Ye live in Kowloon?" as if they were Gods because they pay a bigger rent than the others. But Mrs. Mackintosh McKinnon said to Mrs. Jock McTavish the other morn', "Ma Fegs, I wonder where they emply pursed upstarts get a' their style frae. Onyway, the folk in Kowloon can dress tae ye fuk ma word fur it."

Weel Kirstie, they were a' at peace on the night o' the St. Andrew's Ball. Lassie, it was real grand. Every body was there. Some frae Taikoo (a real Clyde-side Colony) and the Peakies (what really mak' me think o' them Edinburgh Folk—Pride, Poverty and Pianos) and Kowloon was weel represented. We danced reels and Strathspeys and drank whiskey and it was guid when they played in the Haggis wi' whiskey an' a' the rest o' it. A' felt like gettin' up on the table and daeing the High-land fling. And the frocks! It was as if the whole o' "Sauchie" had been brought up for the occasion. Some were real bonny, just yin or twa, but some o' the others garred me gie ma mon a dig in the ribs tae keep masel free lauchin' over muckle. Onyway, A'll write ye a better account o' the St. George's Ball, in the New Year, for then I'll ken mair about the folk. There were yin or twa awfu' nice young men there, I ken yin that would suit Bella weel. He's no long back frae the Army, and was ha'eing a real guid time tae himself.

A' forgot tae tell ye that the pious yins were there. Ye ken folk like the Samson lot who gae round tellin' ye ye're on the right road tae damnation if ye're seen wi' a bittie grin on ye're jaw, an' a wee droopie in side tae keep the Deil awa.

It's rather expensive oot here, only ye canna save anything considering the price o' whiskey, and the number o' guid fellows that ma guid man fetches tae the house.

The price o' blankets is something awfu' and I'd be real glad if ye could get me twa pair at yon guid cheap shop doon Jamaica Street.

I'm gaun tae see the shops next week for the Christmas presents are noo in the windows. "Av coorse, I like the Chinese things, but I'll ha'e tae buy a doll for wee Jeanie," and Hamish wants a train.

I'm going to a Bazaar, Cabaret, —Bal Masque on the 19th and 20th. It's for the poor people in France in the Devastated Region. Wullie is geein' me a cheque an' he says I can spend it a', (I'll buy ye a souvenir) and we're a' gaun to have a grand time.

Mair news next week.
Your's freen'
MAGGIE MACKAY.

NO. C MPL-I ANT.

The Chinese who was yesterday remanded on a charge of picking the pocket of a compatriot in Des Voeux Road West was again before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning.

Inspector Macdonald said he had made enquiries at the house in Wanchai where the defendant said he lived and although it was true that he had lived there for about three months, he was not living there now. The Inspector further stated that no one in the shop where defendant alleged he went to bargain for the salt fish, recognized him.

His Worship: Is there anything known about him?—Yes, he is a time expired banished. He was sentenced for six months for larceny in 1912 and then banished for five years.

His Worship passed sentence of six months' hard labour.

A "TRUMPED-UP" CASE.

A Chinese youth was charged before Mr. R. O. Hutchison with the larceny of a coat and \$22.91, belonging to a passenger on one of the Canton steamers.

Inspector Brazil said that the defendant was travelling with his father on the steamer, and it was alleged that he took away a coat from the luggage of a complainant not present. The money was found on defendant's person, and the complainant claimed it as his. He considered that it was a "trumped-up" case, as the complainant did not turn up. He would ask his Worship to discharge the defendant.

The defendant was accordingly discharged.

SPORTS.

BILLIARDS.

PALACE HOTEL HANDICAP.

A very good game was witnessed last night at the Palace Hotel when Morgan (—125) beat Mason (—150), the by final score being 250—235. Morgan put up a 25, 23, and 20 and Mason a 21 and several ninteteens and eighteens.

To-night, at 6 p.m., Cooper (—125) plays Blenkinsop (—40) and at 9 p.m. E. D. Golding (—200) plays J. Parkes (—200).

FOOTBALL.

2ND DIVISION MATCH.

H.K.F.C. v. S.C.A. II.

The following team will represent the Hongkong Football Club in the Second Division Match versus the South China Athletic II at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday 13th inst. on the Military Ground: McKenzie; W. Gerard and Young; Ireland, Weyman and Carriere; Zeverlin, Boysen, May, Meffer and Matthews.

CRICKET.

K.C.C. 2ND XI v. C.R.C. 2ND XI.

The K.C.C. 2nd XI v. C.R.C. 2nd XI at Causeway Bay on Saturday, Dec. 13 at 2 p.m. The following have been selected—J. Edwards, A. O. Brown, L. E. S. Hodges, W. L. Weaver, N. L. H. Railton, F. J. G. Carr, R. H. Jewbury and F. W. Richmond.

HONGKONG COUNTRYMAN YACHT CLUB.

The first of the series of Championship Races for the Handicap and One Design Classes and for the Hayward Heys Class were sailed on Sunday December 7 with the following results—

Course, Cust Rocks Buoy (S), Channel Rocks (S), Kowloon Rock (S), Lyceum Beacon (S). Distance 10 miles.

HANDICAP AND ONE DESIGN CLASS.

Yachts.	Handicap on Course.	Finishing Time.	Corrected Time.
M.S. Rollaways.	6.40	2.49.35	2.56.15
Dorothea.	scratch	D.N.S.	—
Ayesha.	1.40	D.N.S.	—
Ailsa.	13.20	D.N.F.	—
Daphne.	13.20	3.27.42	3.14.22
Halcyon.	13.20	D.N.S.	—
Bonita.	13.20	D.N.F.	—

Position. Points.

Rolla.	1	8.
Dorothea.	—	—
Ayesha.	—	—
Ailsa.	—	—
Daphne.	2	6
Halcyon.	—	—
Bonita.	—	—

HAYWARD HEYS CLASS.

M.S.	H.M.S.	H.M.S.
Ursula.	scratch	3.18.53
Sirius.	1.40	3.21.23
Dawn.	1.40	3.37.24
Owl.	1.40	—
Liza.	1.40	—

Position. Points.

Ursula.	1	6
Sirius.	2	4
Dawn.	3	3
Owl.	—	—
Liza.	—	—

Twenty-two subscription griffins have arrived per the s.s. "Shantung" and will be drawn for, this evening, at the Hongkong Jockey Club Stables at 5 o'clock.

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HONGKONG RELATIVES ANXIOUS.

Painful suspense has been the fate of some Hongkong people during recent days. The lack of details about the loss of the steamer "Lien-shing" caused it. In a laudable effort to end it for them, Mr. W. J. Stokes, Branch Secretary of the Marine Engineers' Guild, cabled to his correspondent in Saigon at noon on the 9th.

To-day he has the following reply: Saigon, Dec. 11, 11.23 a.m.

Stokes, Hongkong.
So far no particulars names will cable again.

DACRUZ.

TODAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From EL/BOPE AND STRAITS

THE Company's Steamship

"INABA MARU."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWNS Co.'s Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignee must be present to mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, Today.

Goods not cleared by December 19, 1919, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour on TUESDAY and FRIDAY. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Agents.

Hongkong, December 12, 1919.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"TENYO MARU."

From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS and MANILA.

The above named Steamer having arrived Thursday, December 11, consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to present their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery from alongside steamer or the Company's Godown, where all cargo impeding immediate discharge will be landed at consignee's risk.

Storage will be assessed on cargo remaining undelivered after Wednesday, December 17.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages will be landed into the Company's Godown, where same will be examined, on Friday, December 19, at 10 A.M.

No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the steamer or Godown and none will be entertained if presented later than three weeks after arrival of steamer.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

T. DAIGO,
Manager.

Hongkong, December 12, 1919.

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1 " Superb Tawny Port
2 " St. Julien Claret
1 " Old Brown Sherry Red Seal
1 " Gin. D. C. L. Old Tom or Dry
1 " Baryony's Burgundy
1 phial Pomeranzian Bitters
No. 2 HAMPER.	
1 Qt. Gullenart Champagne
1 " D. O. M.
1 Qt. Baryony's Burgundy
2 Martell's XXX Brandy
2 " King George IV Whisky White Label or Perfection Whisky
2 " Tawny Dry Port
2 " St. Julien Claret
1 " D. C. L. Old Tom or Dry Gin
1 " Fino de Pasko Sherry Y. S.
1 phial Pomeranzian Bitters
No. 3 HAMPER.	
1 Qt. Baryony's Burgundy
1 Pt. G. F. Peppermint
1 Pt. D. O. M.
2 Qt. Superior Rich Old Port
2 " King George IV Whisky W. L. or Perfection
1 " Baryony's XXX Brandy
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"DILWARA"	8,500	18th Dec.	Straits, Ceylon, Bombay, Madras & London direct.
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"ST. ALBANS"	4,000	25th Jan.	Sandakan, Thursday Island, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
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S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"JAPAN"	6,000	15th Dec.	Shanghai & Kobe
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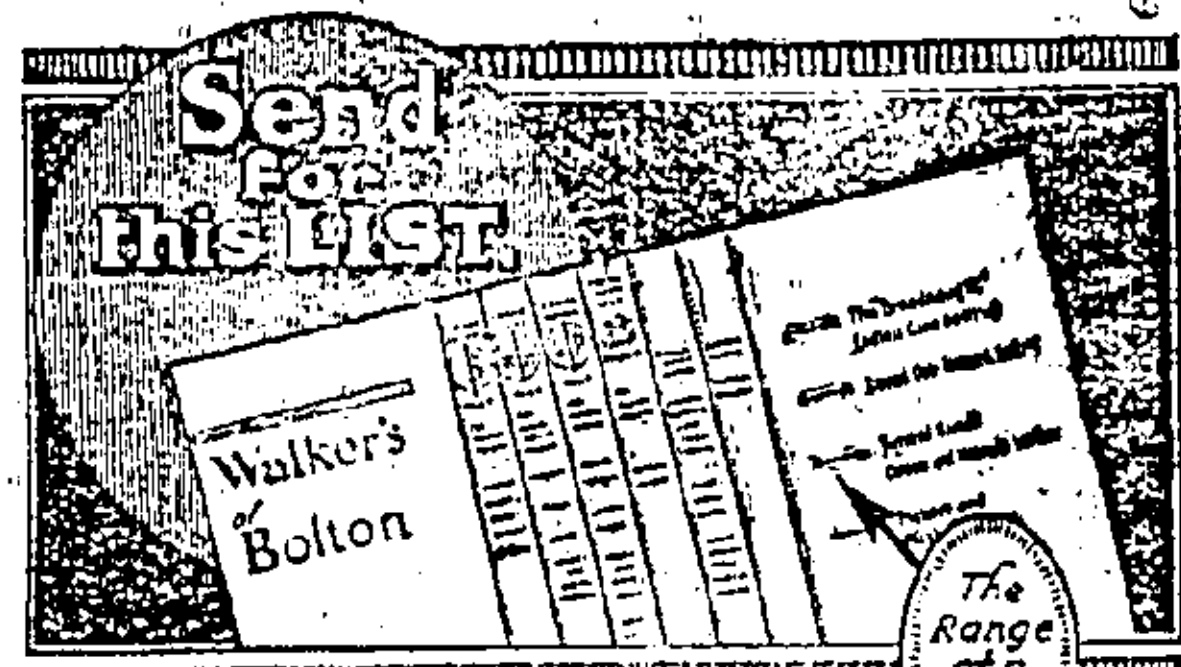
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THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs on the 1st December, 1919.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

1918.	1919.
Titan 14 ft. 2 in. Below overflow.	8 ft. 2 in. Below overflow.
From Reservoir 22 ft. 10 in. Below overflow.	13 ft. 10 in. Do.
From Intermediate Reservoir 10 ft. 11 in. Do.	0 ft. 11 in. Do.
From Hill Reservoir 12 ft. 0 in. Do.	12 ft. 0 in. Do.
Below overflow 14 ft. 1 in. Do.	14 ft. 1 in. Do.
From Hill Reservoir 14 ft. 1 in. Do.	14 ft. 1 in. Do.
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STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF MILLIONS.

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Titan Reservoir 171.2	162.3
From Reservoir 111	111
From Intermediate Reservoir 1,112.23	1,120.30
From Hill Reservoir 1,112.23	1,112.23
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Total 1,260.00	1,271.90

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of November.

1918.	1919.
Consumption 191.8	191.8
Estimated population 1,112,230	1,112,230
Consumption per head 191.8	191.8
Constant supply in all districts during November of both 1918 and 1919.	

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1918.	1919.
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THE MOTOR BANDITS.

As reported briefly in yesterday's *China Mail*, three Chinese Ip Sui Ping, Ng Wai and Cheun Sing, members of a gang of armed robbers who attacked a money-changer's shop at No. 40 Des Vaux Road West, on November 26, stealing \$5,700 in notes, were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon. There are no less than eight charges against the accused persons, namely, (1) Armed robbery and theft of \$5,700; (2) Killing P.C. 6505, Ling Fui; (3) Killing Lau Cho; (4) Killing We Cheuk; (5) Shooting at P.C. 822, Kheer Din with intent to murder; (6) Shooting at P.C. 618, Lai Kan Yau, with intent to murder; (7) Shooting at L.S. 113, Alexander Clark, with intent to murder; and (8) Shooting at and wounding P.C. 648, Lai Kan Yau.

The Assistant Crown Solicitor, Mr. Leo Longinotto, prosecuted. When asked to plead after the charges had been read and translated to them, the prisoners denied all eight charges, which they said they understood perfectly. Throughout the hearing the prisoners, one of whom was given a seat in the dock as he has not recovered from the wounds, appeared to be indifferent to the gravity of the charges preferred against them. They were talking and laughing and generally nonchalant in their behaviour.

Mr. Longinotto in opening the case for the Crown, stated that on November 26, in the afternoon, four men—the Crown suggested that prisoners were three of them—went into a money-changer's shop at 40, Des Vaux Road West. One half of the shop was used as a money-changer's establishment and the other half as a pork-butcher's stall. The men entered the premises, pointed revolvers at the inmates, and terrified everybody. The master and two of the *fohi* rushed out of the shop and, it is stated, raised an alarm, though the actual alarm, which brought the Police, was given by a man in the pork stall. The robbers ransacked the place and stole \$5,700. As the robbers were leaving the shop, an Indian constable confronted them. The Indian constable, 32, Kheer Din, behaved in a commendable manner, for, as soon as he met the robbers, he opened fire on them. The fire was returned. The robbers then ran, followed by the Indian constable for a considerable distance till they entered a motor-car and cleared off.

Mr. Wood wished to know if the robbers were identified. Mr. Longinotto replied that the three prisoners were identified beyond doubt, and proceeded with his statement. After the men had got into the motor-car, said the Assistant Crown Solicitor, information was sent to Inspector Macdonald, who turned out with every available policeman. The robbers, who had been lost sight of for a time, were eventually traced to a tea-house at No. 22, Catchick Street, by the Chief Chinese detective who went to the place accompanied by Sergeant Clark and some Chinese. The detective went upstairs with two or three men and told Sergeant Clark to watch below. The detective went on to the first floor and there saw three men seated at a table. He immediately told them that he had come to search for arms and a struggle ensued. After considerable trouble, one of the trio was arrested. The other two men crawled on their hands and knees to the door and then made for the staircase with the intention of escaping.

Mr. Wood: Who was the person arrested?—Mr. Longinotto: The first prisoner.

Continuing, Mr. Longinotto said that no shots were fired in the tea-room. When the two men escaped, they were met by Sergeant Clark and a stand-up fight took place. Sergeant Clark fired at one of the men, the bullet entering a part of the body, and then the Sergeant struck the same man in the head with the butt-end of his revolver in an endeavour to render the man unconscious. In doing so, the Sergeant dropped his revolver and was shot at by the second man who was running away. The Sergeant then took cover. At this stage Detective Sergeant Field arrived on the scene and took up the chase. He managed to shoot third prisoner in the leg and when the latter fell down a Chinese detective arrested him. The second prisoner ran into a timber yard where he took shelter and several shots were exchanged between him and the Police. This continued for some time till the man, considering it useless to evade arrest, came out of his shelter and gave himself up to Sergeant Hedge and some Chinese constables. The whole affair was a sort of a running fight between the Police and the robbers.

Mr. Wood: When was Chinese constable 605 killed?—Mr. Longinotto: The incident occupied several hours. There were two men, apparently innocent spectators, and some of the bullets, which were flying about, struck them and they were killed. It is difficult to say who shot one of the spectators, but the other was killed by a bullet which is of the same calibre as used by the robbers. No one fired except the robbers and the Police. The constable was shot by a robber on the staircase leading to the tea-house. The other constable, who is in hospital, was also shot at near the tea-house.

Dr. H. B. Parker, Medical Officer of the Victoria Mortuary, said that on November 7 he held a post mortem examination at the Mortuary on the body of a Chinese male, aged between 20 and 30 years. The body was identified by three Chinese in the presence of witness and Sergeant Field as that of Lau Cho. The cause of death was a bullet wound through the abdomen. He extracted a bullet, similar to the one produced, and handed it to the Sergeant. The bullet appeared to have entered the left side of the body and had travelled right across to near the skin on the right side.

Detective Sergeant Field stated that he received the bullet from Dr. Parker.

First prisoner: What sort of a bullet is it?—Detective Sergeant Field: A nickel-plated bullet.

First prisoner: Then it is not one of the bullets used in our revolvers.

Mr. W. Pryde, of the P.W.D., produced plans of the scene of the incident which were included as evidence.

Chan Yuen Tye, proprietor of the money-changer's shop which was robbed, stated that, on November 26, he was having his meal outside the office when four robbers entered it. As soon as they came in, one pointed a revolver at the accountant. Witness seized the opportunity to escape by the back door. When he got on to the road, he raised an alarm. He did not see what took place afterwards. He saw the robbers leaving the shop. He noticed shots being fired at an Indian constable. He was unable to see the robbers' faces, therefore, he could not identify them. The Indian constable returned the shots. He did not know how many shots were fired. He saw that only one robber was armed. After the robbers had taken their departure, witness went back to the shop and examined the counter. He found that \$5,700 had been stolen by the robbers.

The first and the third prisoners said they had no questions to ask witness.

Second prisoner: Oh yes! I walked into that shop.

Dr. C. W. McKenny, Acting P.C.M.O. stated that Chinese constable 605 was admitted into the hospital on November 26, about 2.35 p.m. He had a bullet wound on the right side of the stomach and another wound on the left upper arm. Later on in the afternoon he operated on the constable and found that the first bullet had passed through the stomach, and had caused other damage in the abdomen. The operation seemed at first to improve the patient, but after some time he grew worse and died on December 5 at 10.15 a.m. He held a post mortem examination and discovered that death was due to inflammation of the intestines. The wounds were rather small and might have been caused by this bullet (produced).

Witness also examined Chinese constable 48 at the hospital and found him suffering from a bullet wound in the nape of the left elbow. The bullet had passed through the skin. The constable was still in hospital under treatment for the wound. There was a possibility that injury to his elbow might be permanent.

Witness examined Sergeant Clark's thigh and found a slight abrasion, which might have been caused by a bullet.

Witness examined the second prisoner, who was admitted to hospital on November 26, at about 1.45 p.m. He had a wound on the left leg, which, on examination under X-rays, he found was not caused by a bullet.

The third prisoner, who was also examined by witness, had several wounds. He had a bullet wound on the right hand, near the wrist and coming out near the palm. There was a second bullet wound on the same hand and from it he extracted a bullet which he handed to Inspector Grant. He discovered a third wound on the right thigh, which also contained a bullet removed by Dr. To. This bullet was discovered by means of X-rays. There was an abrasion on the outer surface of the right knee, which might have been caused by a bullet grazing it. There was also an abrasion on the outer surface of the left leg, about three inches above the ankle joint.

First prisoner: On that day I was taken to the hospital to be confronted by the Chinese detective.

Third prisoner: The constable said the man who hit him was dressed in American style.

The accountant at the money-changer's shop stated that at about 1.45 p.m. on November 26 he was sitting inside the office counting the money received from customers, when a man walked in and pointed a revolver at him. Three men accompanied the robber. Witness ran into the office and left the notes behind. He was afraid of being shot by the robbers. He did not see what took place. A *fohi* was present with him in the shop when the robbers entered.

At this stage the hearing was adjourned till to-day.

TO DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

This morning Ng Lai, an assistant at a pawn brokers shop at No. 39 Des Vaux Road, West, said he remembered the afternoon of Nov. 26 last. He was in the shop sitting at the counter with the salesman and another man named Wo Nam, when he suddenly heard the report of firearms. A little later Lau Cho, a *fohi* of the shop, who was standing near a cupboard stumbled towards the counter saying, "I have been wounded." He collapsed

four bullet holes in the head of the car, caused by one bullet, the hood being closed and folded.

Dr. Y. K. To, of the G.C.H., said on Nov. 26, about 2 p.m., Wo Cheuk was brought to the hospital suffering from a bullet wound in the breast. He was conscious and showed signs of the lungs being injured. He died on Dec. 2. Witness considered that from the start deceased's case was incurable.

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HONGKONG FUND FOR WAR-DEVASTATED VILLAGES IN FRANCE.

We are asked by the organizers to state that at the Masked Ball, in aid of the Hongkong Fund for War-devastated Villages in France, on the 19th at the Volunteer Headquarters Parade Ground, it is proposed that dominoes of cotton material be worn. Each participant will be given a number, and everyone will be asked to vote on the prettiest and most original costume. Three prizes, in silver, generously offered by Messrs. Sennet Freres, Ullmann, and Wang Hing, will be presented to the three gaining the most votes, when the masks are removed at midnight.

It would be well to point out, however, that those already possessing fancy dresses or dominoes of other material than cotton will not be debared from contesting for the prizes, but the Committee trust that any large expenditure will be confined to generosity to the Fund, not on elaborate costumes, as the ball is in aid of those who have little to keep them from the cold.

The tickets for the ball cost \$5, which includes light refreshments.

The Portuguese community of this Colony, who have already generously contributed the tea at the recent successful Gymkhana in aid of the Hongkong Fund for War-devastated Villages in France, and are giving the Pansies for the Pansy Day street collection on December 19, are in addition conducting a "Tombola" at the Cabaret to be held on the Volunteer Parade Ground on Saturday, December 20. The Committee of the Fund will be very grateful if articles of all sorts, suitable for use as prizes at this Tombola, may be sent to Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, Consul for Portugal, at the Portuguese Consulate, next door to Messrs. Whiteway Laidlaw & Co. in Des Vaux Road.

Also, any home-made sweets or cakes, or vegetables from private gardens, to be sold at the "Everything Else" Stall at the Cabaret on December 20, will be gratefully received by Mrs. Scott Harston, at "Combe," Magazine Gap (No. 173, The Peak), or by Mrs. Frost, No. 1, Kimberley Villas, Kowloon.

It has also been suggested that, in order that Mrs. Harston's stall—the "Everything Else" stall—may justify its name, such things as pot plants, flower or vegetable seedlings, and cut flowers, for sale at that stall, would be most acceptable.

THAT FRUSTRATED FIGHT.

The four Chinese who were yesterday charged before Mr. Wood with the unlawful possession of dangerous weapons—to wit, chisels, hammers, "jimmies" and bamboo poles; and with being in High Street for the purpose of taking part in a fight; and remanded until to-day, were again before his Worship this morning.

Inspector Macdonald said the defendants were all coolies employed on the Macao wharf. He had made enquiries and discovered that the trouble was over a prostitute who lived at No. 14, Belchers Street. One of the coolies, a man named Yeong Koh went to her on the 8th inst., and demanded \$40, which he was subscription for joining the Kit Yin Kong Club, which occupies two cubicles on the first floor of No. 66, Belchers Street. After some argument, the woman accompanied Yeong Koh to the Club where a man named Ah Yew, an ex-rat catcher, who occupied a cubicle adjoining those of the Club, interfered in the quarrel between Yeong Koh and the woman and told the latter that she need not pay more than \$5.

Yeong Koh demanded to know what right the rat-catcher had to interfere in his affairs and a quarrel arose, ending in the parties coming to blows. The Inspector said that the fight which was pending in High Street and which his men were in time to prevent, was one arranged between the members of the Kit Yin Kong Club and those of the Rat Catchers' Club. The chisel (produced) was found on the first defendant while the second defendant had a crow bar in his possession when he was arrested. The other two men had bamboo poles. The other hammers, chisels, files, "jimmies" and bamboo poles (produced) were found after the arrest of the prisoners. They were strewn about the street in a radius of about 50 yards.

The first and second defendants were each sentenced to one month's hard labour, while the other two were sentenced to fines of \$25 each, or, in default, one month's hard labour.

At this stage the case was adjourned until this afternoon.

Upon resuming after the tiffin interval, witness stated that the men then got out of the car and went to Kennedy Town. He drove straight to No. 7 Station and made a report, after which he drove an Inspector and some Chinese detectives to the money-changer's shop and then back to No. 7 Station, thence to Kennedy Town near the searchlights. He recognized the man who hired the car. He could not identify any of the accused as being the men who got into the car. The Police found a rattle-basket, containing a cap and a handkerchief, in the car.

As Mr. Longinotto was exhibiting the cap a cartridge fell out of the lining which proved to be of the same calibre as those used by the robbers.

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car, caused by one bullet, the hood being closed and folded.

GOVERNMENT AND POLICE.

INTERVIEWS.

A *China Mail* reporter noticed in the picture paper for intellectual children an interview headed "Unfounded reports," in which Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse said "there was no foundation whatever for the statement made by the *China Mail* that the Government has decided to reconsider their attitude toward the discontented police." What the *China Mail* said last night, Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse is alleged to have remarked, "is all nonsense."

The *China Mail* reporter bethought him of an interview on that. Whom should he interview? Happy thought! He would interview the Adversarialist of the *China Mail*. He did!

He found the great man filling his pipe, and examining the mechanism of an internal machine. "Did you see in last night's *Telegraph* that 'No. I've no time to read the kindergarten papers. What d'you want?'"

"Did you not hear what Mr. Wodehouse said?"

"No. Don't know Popinjay. Don't want to."

This was unbearable: nothing could be done this way. The *China Mail* reporter had an inspiration. He shouted, very quickly: "He says you're a dam fool, Sir."

The Adversarialist sat up at that. "Ha," said he. "He seems to have gleams of intelligence. What else did he say?"

The clipping was shoved in front of the great man. He smoked thoughtfully for a couple of minutes, and then began a soliloquy that was too fast for the reporter's shorthand. These are the reporter's notes as we have them:

"Strange, strange, in these days of cheap education, that we cannot get accurate English or the correct use of words. Reports must have some foundation, if only on lies. By unfounded reports they mean reports not based on relevant facts. Wodehouse should have said 'no foundation in fact.' If so, great pity. Public will be sorry. Very cruel thing to say of any Government, that it has decided not to reconsider the matter, when in the same breath it is alleged that it never did consider it. Fair construction to put on 'situation just the same as before.' As for 'all nonsense,' that's all nonsense. What he meant (since the statement did make sense, and attributed more sense to the Government than he seems to admit it has) was that it was an entirely false representation of the official position. 'About a dozen of the men would probably leave.' Not 26, eh? Following on that burglary the public will think 'about a dozen' quite enough. Well, well. Seems to be official this time. (To the reporter) What is it you want? 'To talk for the *China Mail*, Sir.' 'Get out. The *China Mail* gets far too much of my obiter dicta. I refuse, like the officials, to say anything. Anything whatever. This terminated the interview, and our representative departed."

POLICE PAY.

An official statement by the Hon. C.S.P., to a *China Mail* representative, this morning, is to the effect that certain of the new men soon after they arrived in the Colony, represented to the officials that they considered they had been brought out under misrepresented circumstances. The question of increased pay was not discussed, and the Government met the complaint by finally giving those men who considered they had not been fairly treated up to Saturday last to decide whether they would prefer to return Home. Thirteen men signified their desire to take advantage of the offer last Saturday, since when one man has retracted.

Asked whether the matter had been finally closed at that point, the C.S.P. stated that he had no doubt that if any of the remaining twelve men desired to change their minds they would be given the opportunity of remaining.

What about the pay asked our reporter?—The whole matter, as regards increased pay in the hands of the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the men like the officials, must wait and see what the final decision will be.

Have the men been told that?—I suppose they know it, they should. Your report of Wednesday is incorrect. The question of salary has never been discussed. It was simply that the men who considered they had been brought out under false pretences were given the opportunity of returning Home. If they now desire to wait for the Home decision I have no doubt they will be allowed to do so.

It will be observed that the above statement (the first official communication we have been able to secure) does not tally with the previous reports in the *China Mail*, confirming it or denial of which every effort was made to secure from the officials but without success. They were statements by some of the men concerned.

We may as well add that we do not altogether disbelieve them. The official statement we now have (which would have been given to us earlier, before we said so much) does not impress us more than it should. It dismisses the question of pay too sweepingly from the dossier.

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Lance-Corpl. F. J. Ling, Engineer Company, is granted 10 months' leave from Jan. 15, 1920.

PARADE.

There will be a parade of the whole Corps (including men previously excused attendance at parades, and the Cadet Company) on Wednesday, 17th instant, for inspection by His Excellency the Governor.

Fall in at 5.00 p.m. on the road on the North Side of the Hongkong Cricket Club Ground.

Dress: Drill order (i.e. Cap, Tunic, Trousers (instead of Shorts), Putties, Belts, Sidearms and Rifle).

The Mounted Section will wear Breeches instead of Trousers.

"D" Company will not carry Rifles or Sidearms.

Officers will not wear Swords.

Orders for Artillery Company by Major J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

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Parade at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 17th instant, on the road on North Side of the Hongkong Cricket Club Ground, for inspection by His Excellency the Governor. All members to attend.

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There will be a parade of the whole Company on Monday, 15th instant, at 5.15 p.m., on Murray Parade Ground.

Also on Wednesday, 17th instant, at 4.45 p.m., on the Hongkong Cricket Club Ground, for inspection by His Excellency the Governor.

Dress: Drill order (cap, tunic, shorts and belt).

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Burnley	12	6	3	39
Middlesbrough	12	6	3	39
Manchester U.	11	6	1	30
Sunderland	11	6	1	30
D. & G. County	12	4	3	37
Sheff. Wed.	12	5	3	37
Bradford	11	6	2	31
Everton	11	5	3	31
Liverpool	11	5	3	31
On. U.S.	11	5	3	31
The Assen.	11	4	4	31
Bolton	11	5	3	31
Manchester C.	11	4	5	30
Blackburn R.	11	5	3	30
N. U.S. County	11	5	3	30
Preston N. E.	11	3	5	28
Oldham A.	11	2	7	24
Aston Villa	11	2	8	22
Sh. M. J. W.	11	1	9	6

LEAGUE II.

	P.W.	L.D.	F.A.	Pts.
Tottenham H.	10	9	0	30
Fulham	12	7	3	31
Bristol City	11	6	1	30
Blackpool	11	7	3	31
Birmingham	11	6	2	31
Darlington	11	6	3	30
Hull City	12	6	4	32
West Ham U.	11	6	3	31
St. Albans	11	5	3	30
Stockport County	11	5	4	30
Bury	11	5	4	30
Port Vale	11	5	4	30
Nottingham F.	12	5	4	31
Wolverhampton W.	11	5	4	31
South Shields	10	4	6	28
Leicester City	11	3	7	28
Rotherham C.	11	3	7	28
Grimsby Town	11	3	7	28
Clapton O.	11	2	7	27
Lincoln City	11	1	9	3
County City	11	0	9	0

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A.	Pts.
Queen's P. Bgers	13	7	1	4	18	25
Reading	14	7	1	6	18	28
Portsmouth	13	7	3	3	43	20
W. F. C.	11	6	3	2	19	15
Reigate City	12	6	2	4	16	14
Millwall	13	5	4	4	21	20
Plymouth Argyle	12	5	4	3	17	13
Crystal Palace	12	5	4	3	17	13
Southend United	12	4	5	3	15	17
Norwich City	10	5	3	2	18	13
Cardiff City	11	5	2	4	13	13
Swindon	12	4	4	4	19	18
Cardiff	12	3	6	3	14	10
W. F. C.	12	4	5	3	14	19
W. F. C.	12	5	6	2	19	10
Reading	11	5	4	2	23	12
W. F. C.	11	3	4	4	17	11
W. F. C.	13	8	4	1	17	10
W. F. C.	13	8	2	3	13	6
W. F. C.	12	2	3	7	20	37

WEATHER REPORT.

December 12th. 11A. 45m.—No returns from Vladivostok, Wailuwei or Japan-co stations.

Pressure has decreased moderately to slightly along the coast of China, over Formosa, and over the Philippines. The anticyclone has probably moved to the north of Japan. Another may be forming over China. Another may be forming over China.

The depression between Borneo and Cebu has filled up.

Shanghai Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.12 inches. Total since January 1st, 76.14 inches. Against an average of 80.40 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. on December 13th.

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. N. winds, fresh; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel. N.E. winds, strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lascrocs. The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

DECEMBER 12, 1919.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.	Weather.
Vladivostok	6a.	30.24	39.1	100	N	2	F
Nemuro	6a.	30.17	40.1	100	N	2	F
Hakodate	6a.	30.09	38.8	100	N	2	F
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